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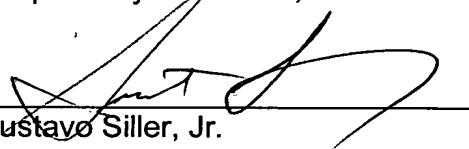
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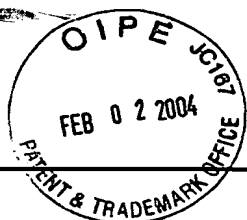
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	FILING DATE September 10, 2003	GROUP ART UNIT 2652
	APPLICANT(S): Hisayuki Yazawa et al.	

REFERENCE DESIGNATION**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	B1	2002/0106533	09/2002	Kazue Kudo et al.		
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	B3	6,369,984	04/2002	Kiyoshi Sato		

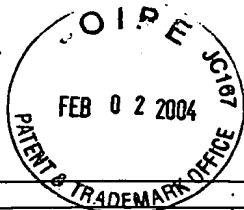
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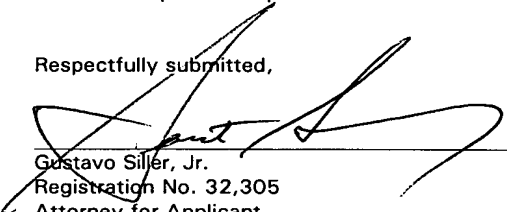
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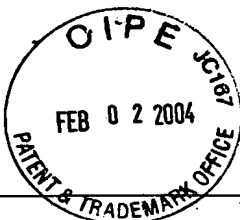
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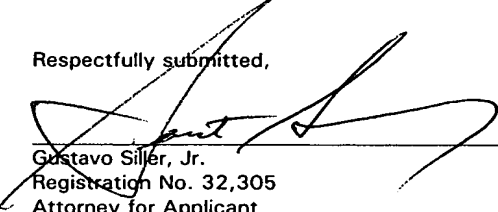
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